

## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Health Care Financing Administration

Region IX

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Phyllis Biedess, Director Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System 801 E. Jefferson Phoenix, AZ 85034

Dear Ms. Biedess:

Enclosed is an approved copy of Arizona State plan amendment (SPA) #00-010, which implements the Foster Care Independence Act of 1999. I am approving this SPA with the requested effective date of July 1, 2000.

If you have any questions, please have your staff contact Ronald Reepen at (415) 744-3601.

Sincerely,

Linda Minamoto

Associate Regional Administrator

Division of Medicaid

Enclosures

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	State:	ARIZONA	
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Citation		Groups Covered	

1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XV) of 20. Individuals age 18-20 who: the Act

a. Were under the jurisdiction of the Arizona Department of Economic Security/Division of Children, Youth and Families/Administration for Children, Youth and Families (DES/DCYF/ACYF) on the individual's 18th birthday. "Under the jurisdiction" means that the individual was adjudicated dependent by the Juvenile Court or was under a voluntary agreement. The fact that the individual was residing in a foster care setting on the individual's 18th birthday does not necessarily indicate that the individual was under the jurisdiction of the DES/DCYF/ACYF.

Eligible individuals could have been Title IVE or non-IVE eligible. Medicaid coverage for these individuals may be applied for at any time prior to age 21.

- b. Have income under 200 percent FPL, after applying all appropriate earned income disregards with no time limits. The following earned income disregards apply:
  - A \$90 cost of employment;
  - \$30 and 1/3 for recipients; and
  - Dependent care deductions will be allowed as billed not to exceed the Title IV-A standard that was in place as of July, 1996.

No resource test is required.